

Borough of Altrincham 1948

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Annual Report for the Year 1948

Public Health Department, Town Hall,

Altrincham.

The Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Altrincham.

YOUR WORSHIP, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to present to you the Twelfth Annual Report of the Municipal Borough of Altrincham, dealing with the health of the Borough for the year 1948.

1. GENERAL STATISTICS

The Borough of Altrincham is situated in the northern part of Mid-Cheshire, 8 miles south-west from the centre of the City of Manchester. Altrincham is particularly fortunate in being both an industrial town and a residential area. It contains several large engineering works which are well known throughout the world and many other smaller works and factories. Most of these are sited alongside the Bridgewater Canal and are served with excellent railway facilities.

The main shopping centre, which serves a much larger area than Altrincham, is well placed on the rising downs that lead into the beautiful countryside of Cheshire.

A public market is held on Tuesday and Saturday of each week and is well patronised by shoppers from a very wide area.

The Municipality provides Public Libraries and a Public Swimming Bath. There is an 18-hole Municipal Golf Course, tennis courts and recreation grounds, all of which provide wide open spaces in the Borough.

Area		3,519 acres
Population (Registrar-General's estimate)	• • • •	39,570
Number of inhabited houses (end of 1948)		11,955
Rateable Value (at 31st December, 1948)		£299,992
Product of a penny rate	• • • •	£1,233

2. VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

The number of Live Births registered in, and allocated to, the Borough of Altrincham in 1948 is 631 (Males 328, Females 303). The number of Still Births is 8 (Males 6, Females 2).

LIVE BIRTHS				٠	
Legitimate Births			602 (M.	,	
Illegitimate Births	• • • •		29 (M.	17, F.	12)
STILL BIRTHS					
Legitimate Births			`	5, F.	/
Illegitimate Births		• • • •	2 (M.	1, F.	1)

representing a Live Birth Rate of 15.9 per 1,000 of the population and a Still Birth Rate of 0.20 per 1,000 of the population. For 1947, these rates were 18.7 and 0.38 respectively. To have maintained the Live Birth Rate of 1947, 111 more babies should have been born alive in the Borough of Altrincham in 1948. The Still Birth Rate is more satisfactory. In 1946, this rate was 0.78, in 1947 it was 0.38, and in 1948 it is 0.20. Perhaps this reflects in some degree the value to the community of the Maternity Home opened in November, 1947.

The illegitimate live births number 29, being 4.59 per cent of the total. In

1947 this percentage was 3.4 and in 1946 these births were 5 per cent.

The number of deaths of infants under one year of age is 24 (M. 17, F. 7).

Legitimate 22 (M. 17, F. 5) Illegitimate 2 (M. 0, F. 2)

equivalent to an Infantile Mortality Rate of 38 per 1,000 live births. In 1947, this rate was 37. Of these 24 infantile deaths, 15 are attributed to premature birth, birth injuries, etc.

The Illegitimate Infantile Mortality Rate is 69 per 1,000 illegitimate births. The number of deaths from diarrhoea and enteritis under 2 years of age is 1,

being a rate of 0.7 per 1,000 children under 2 years of age.

DEATHS

The total number of deaths, corrected for Outward and Inward Transfer, is 430 (Males 207, Females 223), representing a Death Rate of 10.8 per 1,000 of the population. In 1947, the Death Rate was 10.7.

CLA	SSIFIE	ED CA	USES	of D	DEATH M.	F.	Total
Typhoid and Paratyphoi	id				0	0	0
Cerebro-Spinal Fever			••••	****	0	0	0
			••••	••••			
Scarlet Fever	••••	* * * *	• • • •	****	0	0	0
Whooping Cough	• • • •	••••	****	****	0	1	1
Diphtheria Tuberculosis of Respirat			••••	****	0	0	0
Tuberculosis of Respirat	ory Sy			****	11	2	13
Other forms of Tubercul		• • • •		• • • •	3	1	4
Syphilitic Diseases	• • • •	••••		• • • •	1	2	3
Influenza	• • • •	• • • •		• • • •	2	0	2
Measles				• • • •	0	0	0
Acute Poliomyelitis					0	0	0
Acute Poliomyelitis Acute Infective Encepha	litis	• • • •			0	0	0
Cancer of Mouth and O	esopha	igus in	Males	and			
Uterus in Females					1	6	7
Cancer of Stomach and	Duod	enum		****	8	7	15
Cancer of Breast	• • • •	••••	• • • •	• • • •	0	8	8
Cancer of all other Sites		• • • •		• • • •	28	17	45
Diabetes		••••			2	2	4
Intracranial Vascular Le	sions	••••		****	18	51	69
Heart Disease		••••	• • • •	• • • •	44	53	97
Other Diseases of Circul	atory				8	8	16
Bronchitis	•	•			13	8	21
Pneumonia		• • • •	••••	••••	11	2	13
Other Respiratory Disea					3	1	
Ulcer of Stomach or Du	odenu	ım	• • • •	• • • •	2	2	4
Appendicitis	odenu	1111	••••	••••	1		4
Other Digestive Diseases		••••	••••	••••		1	2 7
Nenhritis	•	* * * *	• • • •	••••	2	5	•
Nephritis	tirra C		• • • •	* * * *	9	14	23
Puerperal and Post-abor	tive St	epsis	• • • •	* * * *	0	0	0
Other Maternal Causes	• • • •	• • • •	• • • •	• • • •	0	2	2 3
		****	• • • •		l	2	
Congenital Malformation	-	· •	• • • •		6	6	12
Suicide	• • • •	• • • •		• • • •	0	0	0
Road Traffic Accidents	• • • •	****	• • • •	• • • •	1	1	2
Other Violent Causes		• • • •		• • • •	3	3	6
All Other Causes	• • • •	• • • •			28	18	46
All Causes	••••	•••	••••	1:	207	223	430

In 1948, cancer, at one site or other in the body, claimed 75 victims in the Borough of Altrincham. With a low Death Rate, maintained over many years, a greater number of people live to real old age at which cancer is more likely to show itself as the cause of death. Early diagnosis and prompt appropriate treatment still constitute the best means of fighting this dread disease.

	England and Wales			Altrincham					
	R	Rates per 1,000 Civilian Population							
BIRTHS Live births Still births	17.9 0.42	20.0 0.52	19.2	15.9 0.20					
DEATHS	10.8	11.6	10.7	10.8					
		Rates per 1,0	00 Live Births						
DEATHS All causes under 1 year of age Enteritis and diarrhoea under	34	39 4.5	32	38					
2 years of age			2.1 ivilian Population						
Notifications Measles Whooping cough Scarlet fever Puerperal fever and pyrexia Diphtheria Pneumonia Erysipelas	9.34 3.42 1.73 6.89 0.08 0.73 0.21	9.75 3.51 1.90 8.90 0.10 0.84 0.23	8.84 3.31 1.82 4.71 0.09 0.60 0.21	12.56 3.66 1.26 9.5 0.02 0.73 0.60					

EXTRACT FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR 1948

Live Births			••••		• • • •	631	(M.	328,	F.	303)
(Legitimate)			****	••••		602				
(Illegitimate)	••••					29				
Live Birth Rate per	1,000	of the	popul	ation		15.9				
Still Births						8	(M.	6,	F.	2)
Still Birth Rate per	1,000	Live a	ind Stil	ll Births		0.20				
Deaths					••••	430	(M.	207,	F.	223)
Death Rate per 1,0	00 of t	he pop	oulatio	n		10.8				
Deaths from Puerr	peral (Causes								
(Headings of	the Re	gistrar	-Gener	al's Sho	ort L	ist 29	and I	30)		
No. 29. Puerperal	Cause	es		• • • •		••••		0		
No. 30. Other Ma	aternal	Cause	S:					2		
Death rate of Infan	its unc	ler one	year c	of age—						
All Infants, pe	r 1,000	Live .	Births	• • • •				38		
Legitimate Infa	ants pe	er 1,00	0 Legit	imate B	irths	••••		36		
Illegitimate Inf	fants p	er 1,00	00 Illeg	itimate	Birth	S		69		
Deaths from Cance	er (All	ages)				• • • •		75		
Deaths from Measl	es (Al	ages)						0		
Deaths from Whoo	ping (Cough	(All ag	ges)				1		
Deaths from Diarri	hoea a	nd Ent	tertis (1	ınder 2	years	of age	e)	1		

The year 1948 must ever be memorable for the upheaval in medical life and practice inaugurated by the operation of the National Health Services Act, 1946. The County District Councils formerly autonomous in Maternity and Child Welfare have lost these functions to the County Council in its Divisional arrangements, while the control of the Maternity Home has passed to the Regional Hospital Board.

This Report is concerned with these services up to the 4th July, 1948, the day preceding the "appointed day".

SECTION B.

GENERAL PROVISION FOR HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA

1. (a) LABORATORY FACILITIES

During 1948, 61 specimens were reported upon by the Department of Bacteriology and Preventive Medicine of the University of Manchester. Diphtheria swabs 40, of which 39 were found to be negative and one to be positive; samples of milk for phosphatase and methylene blue tests 2; ice cream samples 19.

During 1948, the Public Health Laboratory of the County of Chester examined 76 specimens of sputum for the presence of the tubercle

bacillus, of which 15 were found to be positive.

(b) Ambulance Facilities

The Borough of Altrincham maintains 3 well-equipped ambulance vehicles. The service is staffed by a full-time male personnel under the immediate charge of an Ambulance Officer. Prior to the "appointed day", the service was free of charge to residents within the Borough to any hospital or nursing home within a radius of 10 miles from the Altrincham Town Hall. These ambulances served the areas of several local authorities. From the 1st January, 1948, up to the "appointed day", the cases moved in the various areas were as follows:—

Altrincham Bucklow	••••	To hospitals and for treatment 2430	Accidents and sudden illness 79 22
Knutsford	••••	50 22 —	5 3 17
	 d To	2666 OTAL: 2792	126

(c) Maternity Home, Sinderland Road

From January 1st to July 4th, there were 60 births in the Home. There were no still births. There was one infant death from atelectasis. Medical practitioners attended at 38 births and midwives at 22 births.

(d) Day Nursery, Gaskell Road

From 1st January, 1948, to 4th July, 1948, the total number of attendances was 4,294, 1,192 being under 2 years of age group, and 3,102 being in the over 2 years of age group.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE HEALTH VISITOR'S REPORT

To the Chairman and Members of the Committee.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I beg to submit my report of the work of this Department from the 1st January, 1948, to the 4th July, 1948.

VISITS BY THE TIMPERLEY I	- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	ı Visit	OR		,
Number of first visits to infants under 1 year				• • • •	132
,, ,, subsequent visits			• • • •	• • • •	378
Total visits to children, 1 to 5 years	• • • •	• • • •			504
Number of first visits to expectant mothers	• • • •	• • • •	• • • •	• • • •	19
,, ,, subsequent visits		• • • •			19
,, ,, Infant Life Protection visits	• • • •	• • • •	• • • •	• • • •	7
" ,, visits under the Adoption Act	••••	••••	••••	••••	8
VISITS BY THE ALTRINCHAM	Healti	H VISIT	OR		
Number of first visits to infants under 1 year	••••	••••	• • • •		184
,, ,, subsequent visits			• • • •		472
Total visits to children, 1 to 5 years		• • • •	• • • •	• • • •	962
Number of first visits to expectant mothers	• • • •			• • • •	52
,, ,, subsequent visits	• • • •			* * * *	3 3
", ", Infant Life Protection visits	• • • •	• • • •	• • • •	• • • •	
", ,, visits under the Adoption Act	••••		••••	••••	13
CHILD WELFARE O	CENTI	RES			
THORNHOLME, TIME	PERLEY				_
Number of children who attended for the first Total number of children weighed under 1 year	ır	* * * *	• • • •		151 3413
Number of children who attended for the first	t time	betwe	en 1 a	nd 5	
years	• • • •			••••	26
Total number weighed between 1 and 5 years	••••	• • • •	••••	••••	2488
Total numb	er weig	ghed			5901
There were 95 sessions held during the haper session.	lf-year,	maki	ng an	nverage	e of 62
Ante-Natal Cla	INIC				

33

154

This Clinic is held on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month.

Number of expectant mothers attending for the first time

Total number of attendances

giving an average attendance of 13 per clinic.

MOUNTLANDS WELFARE CENTRE

Trained of dimercit with attended for the most dimercial a jobs of the	150 878
	16 585
Total number weighed 54 There were 72 sessions held during the period, making an average of per session.	163 75
Ante-Natal Clinic	
This Clinic is held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. Number of mothers who attended for the first time	73 255 nce
Post-Natal Clinic	
This Clinic is held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Total attendances: 3	39.
CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS' ACT 1908-1936	

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS' ACT, 1908-1936

Number of foster mothers on register a	t end	of 194	7	••••		1
Foster children	• • • •	• • • •		• • • •	• • • •	1
Number of new cases added to register		* * * *	* * * *	• • • •	• • • •	3
Number of cases removed from register	•	• • • •	• • • •	• • • •	* * * *	3

ADOPTION OF CHILDREN

Number of persons who gave notice under Section 7(3)	 	14
Total number of children adopted under that Section		5
rotal fidings of emission adopted affect that beetign	 	5

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION CLINICS

A clinic is held at each Welfare Centre on a Saturday forenoon at intervals of 4 weeks.

The numbers completely immunised up to July 4th:—At Thornholme, 92; at Mountlands, 69.

The number receiving "booster" injections after the age of 5 years:— At Thornholme, 32; at Mountlands, 7.

I should like to thank the voluntary workers at the Welfare Centres for their clerical services at the centres and for their unstinting aid with toy-making and social activities.

Prevalence of Infectious Diseases in the Borough of Altrincham During 1948, the cases of infectious disease notified to me were as follows:—

Scarlet fever	 	50
Whooping cough	 	145
Measles	 	497
Acute poliomyelitis	 	1
Pneumonia	 	29
Erysipelas	 	24
Ophthalmia neonatorum	 	3
Puerperal pyrexia	 	6
Diphtheria	 	1
Cerebro-spinal meningitis	 	1

WATER SUPPLY

With only a very few exceptions, there is a piped water supply to the houses in Altrincham. The supply is maintained by the Corporation of the City of Manchester.

SUMMARY OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES—OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS

Disease	Total No. of cases	0-	1-	3-	5-	10-	15-	25-	45-	65 and over	Age not known
Smallpox Scarlet fever Whooping cough Poliomyelitis Measles Pneumonia Erysipelas Ophthalmia neonatorum Puerperal pyrexia Diphtheria Cerebro-spinal meningitis	- 50 145 1 497 29 24 3 6 1	- 1 8 - 18 2 - 3 - 1	- 4 29 - 69 - - - -	9 40 - 131 - - - -	15 48 - 175 13 - - -	- 10 15 - 93 - - - -	7 1 1 1 1 7 - 1	3 2 - 3 6	- - - 7 12 - -	- - - 6 5 - - -	- 2 7 - - - -

TUBERCULOSIS—NEW CASES DURING 1948

Age Periods	Respi	iratory	Non- Respiratory		
Years	M.	F.	M. F.		
O to 1	 _	_	_	_	
1 to 5	 _	1	1	_	
5 to 15	_	_	1	1	
15 to 25	 1	3	_	1	
25 to 35	 5	_	_	_	
35 to 45	 5	3	_		
45 to 55	 4	4	_		
55 to 65	2	_	_	_	
65 and upwards	 3	2	-		
Age unknown	 1	-	_	-	
Total	21	13	2	2	

In concluding this Annual Report, the last I have the honour to submit, I desire to put on record my thanks to the Chief Sanitary Inspector, Mr. James E. Crickmore, for his long and loyal co-operation with me in the Public Health Service of this Borough. I should also like to recall to your notice the long and happy relationship I enjoyed in the Maternity and Child Welfare Department with Miss Bardsley before her retirement.

I have the honour to be, Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen, Your obedient Servant,

R. REID DUNCAN, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.,

Late Medical Officer of Health.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

CHIEF SANITARY INSPECTOR

FOR THE YEAR 1948

Sanitary Department,
Town Hall,
Altrincham.
January, 1949.

The Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Altrincham Borough Council.

YOUR WORSHIP, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I beg to submit my Annual Report of the Sanitary Administration for the year ended 31st December, 1948.

WATER SUPPLY

The Manchester Corporation are the statutory authority for the supply of water in the district.

A supply of water from the mains of the Manchester Corporation Water Department has not been provided to Brookside Farm and Cottages, off Sinderland Road, Altrincham. The inhabitants at the farmhouse obtain their supply of drinking water from the well, and those in the cottages carry water from the well at the farm.

COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF REFUSE

The refuse from ashbins in the Borough is collected approximately every seven days. Every effort is made to maintain a weekly collection, so that householders know when the collectors are expected and paper salvage can be placed by the ashbin for removal at the same time. There are periods such as holidays when a certain amount of disorganisation takes place, and when vehicles are off the road for repair. The quality of fuel available to householders is such that it leaves a large amount of residue, which must be collected with the other refuse from the ashbins. There are still a few fixed ashpits remaining in the district.

The average number of ashbins emptied each week is approximately 13,000, and the weight of refuse is something like 200 tons.

An analysis of refuse has been carried out, when it was found to contain the following:—

			Perc	entage
$\frac{1}{4}$ inch dust				30.00
$1\frac{1}{2}$ inch cinders				37.50
Vegetables and cor	nbusti	bles		15.00
Pot, earthenware, I	brick			2.62
Paper				3.86
Rags, carpets and	string			1.79
Bottles and jars				2.98
Broken glass				1.46
Iron				.72
Metal				.03
Tins				3.86
Bones	* * * *	• • • •		.18
			904	100.00

Every effort should be made by householders to keep as much paper out of the refuse as possible, and to bundle it separately for collection at the same time as the refuse is removed. The recovery of waste paper is as much in the national interest now as during the period of the war.

The number of houses increases each year from which refuse must be

removed.

In July, 1948, I reported to the Public Health Committee that the land available for the disposal of refuse at the Sewage Disposal Farm would be exhausted in approximately two and a half years. A Sub-Committee was appointed to investigate and report upon the method and sites for the future disposal of refuse. At the end of the year the Sub-Committee had under consideration a report by the Borough Surveyor in regard to refuse disposal sites, etc.

The Refuse Collection vehicles consist of:—

2 Eleven cubic yard S.D. Freighters	• • • •		1948
2 Eleven cubic yard S.D. Freighters			1946
1 Guy Vixant	••••	• • • •	1942
1 Eleven cubic yard S.D. Freighter	• • • •	• • • •	1939
1 Ten cubic yard S.D. Freighter	• • • •		1936
2 Eight cubic yard Leyland Waggons			1932

The premises relieved were as follows:—

ASHBINS			ASHPITS	
No. of houses relieved	 • • • •	600818	No. of houses relieved	 2100
No. of ashbins emptied	 	670946	No. of wet ashpits emptied	 28
No. of tipping ashbins	 ••••	2084	No. of pails emptied	 2062
No. of loads removed	 ••••	5654	No. of dry ashpits emptied	 38

COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF SALVAGE

The amount of salvage collected and sold for the financial year 1st April, 1947, to 31st March, 1948, is as follows:—

					Т. с.	q.		£ s. d.	
Paper		••••	••••		274 9		• • • •	1749 3 9	
Non-ferrous me	tal	• • • •	• • • •		11	2		27 17 0	
Textiles, etc.					16 17	2		182 13 6	
Bottles, etc.					41 0	1		61 11 5	
Kitchen waste					56 10	0		84 15 0	
Bones				••••	19	2		5 12 3	
Miscellaneous					16	3	••••	3 7 0	
		••••	••••	••••	10		••••	<i></i>	
					391 5	1		£2114 19 11	
							• • • • •		

An incentive bonus is paid to the workmen on a percentage of salvage collected. Salvage collected per month up to £250—15 per cent, £251 to £350—20 per cent.

SANITARY INSPECTIONS OF THE AREA

INSPECTIONS MADE DURING THE YEAR

V	Vater supply	••••	• • • •		16	Shops	66
	rainage				341	Ash recentacles	
	Common lodging				7	Hackney carriages	742
	ents, vans, shed		••••	****	10	Dublic months	33
		12	• • • •	• • • •	10	Public mortuary	32
	actories	• • • •	• • • •	• • • •	41	Slaughterhouses	661
	Vorkshops	• • • •	• • • •	• • • •	9	Dairies and milkshops	59
В	akehouses	••••			44	Inspections in Market	
P	ublic convenien	ces			90	Miscellaneous visits	173
	laces of enterta				3	Mostings attended	64
	efuse collection		• • • •	* * * *	5 1	Meetings attended	72
		****	• • • •	****	54	Infectious disease enquiries	31
	efuse disposal	••••	• • • •		54	Food premises	19
R	odent control	• • • •	• • • •		31	Cowsheds	19
S	chools			• • • •	21		19
					- •		

Notices Served

No	otices Serve	ed	Notice	es complied	with	Notices Outstanding			
Informal	Statutory	Total	Informal	Statutory	Total	Informal	Statutory	Total	
1061	119	1180	930	110	1040	131	9	140	

SANITARY IMPROVEMENTS EFFECTED

DWELLING HOUSES:—

Roofs Repaired		• • • •		••••	••••	53
Floors repaired, ventilated, etc.			• • • •	• • • •	••••	16
Plastered walls and ceilings repaired	• • • •				••••	26
Windows repaired, made to open, etc.	,	• • • •	• • • •			15
Sashcords renewed				• • • •	• • • •	24
Skirting boards provided or repaired			***			2
Doors repaired, rehung or renewed	• • • •			• • • •		3
Firegrates repaired, reset or renewed				• • • •	***	21
Chimneys or Chimney stacks repaired	l				••••	6
New sinks provided and fixed	••••			• • • •	• • • •	9
Sink waste pipes repaired or renewed	• • • •					10
Wash Coppers repaired or provided			••••		1	7
External Walls pointed	• • • •		• • • •	• • • •	••••	40
Ovens repaired or renewed					••••	4
Eaves gutters and R.W.P. renewed						26
Dangerous walls repaired	• • • •			••••		S
Yards and paths paved and drained						9
Yard paving repaired	• • • •	• • • •			••••	3
Obstructed drains cleansed						62
Obstructed W.C.s cleansed	• • • •				• • • •	12
W.C. basins renewed					• • • •	9
W.C. cisterns repaired or renewed			• • • •		• • • •	5
New pails provided		• • • •		• • • •		2
Ashbins provided			• • • •			736

RATS AND MICE (DESTRUCTION) ACT, 1919

The Corporation accepted delegation of powers from the Cheshire County Council under the above Act.

Number	of case	s inves	stigated	 ****	••••			 92
Major	••••		••••	 ••••	• • • •	• • • •	••••	 33
Minor				 • • • •				 59

Advice is given by the Rodent Operator to occupiers of premises as to the measures to be adopted for the extermination of rats and mice.

Housing

DESIGNATED MILKS

Supplementary Licence to sell "Pasteurized" Milk	 	3
Dealer's Licence to bottle "Tuberculin Tested" Milk	 	4
Dealer's Licence to retail "Pasteurized" Milk	 	1
Dealer's Licence to retail "Tuberculin Tested" Milk	 	7
Supplementary Licence to sell "Tuberculin Tested" Milk	 	2
Licence to Pastcurize Milk	 	2
Supplementary Licence to retail "Accredited" Milk	 	1

Samples taken in 1948

Ice cream—19, all of which were examined by the methylene blue test, with the following results:—

Provisional	Grade	1		• • • •	8 sa	mples
,,	,,	2	••••		3	,,
,,	,,	3	* * * *		2	"
,,	,,	4			3	,,

Two samples of Pasteurized milk were examined by the phosphatase and methylene blue tests and were found to be satisfactory.

In addition, 17 samples of Pasteurized milk were examined by the Cheshire County Council, and in each case the tests were satisfactory.

The Council adopted a Code of Practice with reference to applications for the manufacture and sale of ice cream.

SUMMARY OF FOODS SURRENDERED AT PREMISES, 1948

	Cani	VED FI	SH		Canned and Bottled Foods					
Salmon				7 tins	Tinned meats			60 tins		
Sardines		• • • •		12 ,,	Milk			118 ,,		
Mussels				175 ,,	Peas			105 ,,		
Crawfish	• • • •	• • • •		5 ,,	Beans			91 ,,		
Pilchards	• • • •	***	• • • •	15 ,,	Carrots			65 ,,		
Silver hake	• • • •	• • • •	• • • •	11 ,,	Onions			20 jars		
Herrings		• • • •		5 ,,	Sauces			12 bottles		
Cream of coo	1		• • • •	2 ,,	Beetroot			23 jars		
Various		• • • •	• • • •	δ ,,	Soups			77 tins		
					Vegetables (mixed)			35 ,,		
Ero	(Wi	ET AND	Пру	<i>(</i>)	Tomatoes Olives and walnuts	• • • •		41 ,,		
	211 (44 1	I AND	DKI		Fruit (various)	• • • •	• • • •	11 jars		
Skate	****			3 stone	Erwit inione	• • • •		124 tins 51		
Kippers				12 ,,	Jams (various)	• • • •		23 ,,		
Mackerel				6 ,,	Marmalade	• • • •		45 ,		
Headless cod		• • • •		11 ,,	Sweet puddings		• • • •	11		
Prawns Smoked and	(G11a4)	• • • •	• • • •	4,,	Golden corn	****		7 ,,		
Smoked cod Megrim	(miet)			$\frac{3\frac{1}{4}}{5}$	Meat and fish paste	····		21		
Megimi		• • • •	• • • •	3 ,,	The title that prese	3	• • • •	£1 ,,		
			1	Miscellaneous F	OODSTUFFS					
Poultry				194 lbs.	Farinoca			40 lbs.		
Minagallagac				30 ,,	Soyaghetti	• • • •	• • • •	7		
Figs				28 ,,	Flour	• • • •		17		
Walnuts				$14\frac{1}{2}$,	Ice-cream biscuits			1000 ",		
Cheese waste				$16\frac{1}{2}$,,	Ryvita	,	• • • •	2 packets		
Prunes		• • • •		25 ,,	Oats			3 lbs.		
Camembert c				42 boxes	Margarine			4 ,,		
Chocolate sp	read	••••	••••	18 packets	4			,,		

Annual Summary of Meat Unfit at Slaughterhouses during the Year, 1948, with particulars of Diseases.

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12	. 2							—						5	42				2 8		Portions of Carcases
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176	10							4						6	ω	28	6	119	0 7	2 18	Portions of Carcases
145	-	2	7	→	4		2		4	14	4	—	9	ω	7	ω	∞	75	1 24	22 1	BOVINES: Carcases and Organs
Totals	Other Conditions	Jaundice	Fever	Melansis	Moribund	Swine Erysipelas	Septic Mastitis	Bone Taint	Decomposition	Joint Ill and Umbilical Pyaemia	Immaturity	Inflammation	Septicaemia	Abscesses	Dropsy	Bruising	Johnes Disease with emaciation	Tuberculosis	ht of at nined	Weight of Meat Condemned T. C. Q. lb.	

Annual Summary of Meat Unfit at Slaughterhouses during the year 1948 (continued)

	scellar Orgai			Bovines	Pigs	Sheep	Total
Heads				158	5	6	169
Plucks		* * * *	• • • •	1004	11	49	1064
Hearts		• • • •		36	8	44	88
_ivers				1302	8 5	598	1905.
Spleens				95		59	154
kirts				83			83
Stomachs				145	3	2	150
ntestines				351	8	11	370
Jdders				488			488
Kidneys				227	10		237
Mesenterie	es			26	6	5	37

FACTORIES ACT, 1937 ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1948

1. Inspections

	M/c.	No.		Number of		M/c.
Premises (1)	line No. (2)	on Register (3)	Inspections (4)	Written Notices (5)	Occupiers prosecuted (6)	line No. (7)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by L.A.s	1	21	4		-	1
(ii) Factories not included in (i) to which Section 7 applies: (a) Subject to the L.A.s (Transfer of Enforcement) Order, 1938	2	63				
(b) Others	3	03	17	5		2 3
(iii) Other Premises under the Act (excluding outworkers' premises)	4	19				4
Тотац		103	21	5		

	M/c.	Numbe	er of cases were fo	lefects	No. of cases in which	NA / .	
Particulars	Line No.			Refe	erred	prosecu- tions were instituted	M/c. Line No.
		Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector			NO.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
Want of cleanliness (S1)		5	5		4		5
Overcrowding (S2) Unreasonable tem-	6						6
perature (S3)	7						7
Inadequate ventilation (S4)	8						0
Ineffective drainage of				,			8
floors (S6)	9						9
Sanitary Conveniences (S7)—					~		
(a) Insufficient	10						10
(b) Unsuitable or defective	11	3	3		2		11
(c) Not separate for	12						
Sexes Other offences (not in-	12						12
cluding offences re-	1.2				•		10
lating to homework)	13				Y		13
Total		8	8		6		

OUTWORK
(Sections 110 and 111)

,		Section 110
Nature of Work	M/c. Line No.	No. of outworkers in August list required by Sect.
(1)	(2)	(3)
Cleaning and Washing	14	24

Mr. H. L. Latham, the Second Additional Sanitary Inspector, left the services of the Corporation at the end of the year, and the vacancy at that time had not been filled.

I am, Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Yours obediently,

JAMES E. CRICKMORE,

Chief Sanitary Inspector.

